LPG in Nagpur District is 3805 MTs per month. The demand of existing LPG consumers in the State of Maharashtra, who are enrolled with the distributors of Public Sector Oil Companies, is being met by and large in full.

(c) and (d) LPG connections in rural areas are released only on the recommendation/sanction of Members of Parliament and in Hilly areas and rural areas adjoining the urban areas where the jurisdiction of non-viable distributorships is extended to make them viable. Persons staying within the areas of operation of the distributorships are free to register for new connections.

Now, rural areas adjoining certain towns are being included in the new marketing plans for opening of LPG distributorships.

Oil imports

617. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the total oil imports duirng 1994-95, 1995-96 and 1996-97 and their value, in dollars;

(b) the total amount realised by sale of imported oil to the refinries, year-wise; and

(c) the total production of petrol, diesel, kerosene and other byproducts?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) The quantity and value of crude oil imports duirng 1994-95 and 1995-96 is as under:—

	Quantity (MMT)	Value (Rs. in crores)
1994-95	27.349	10316
1995-96	27.342	11517

The quantity and value of imports during the current year would depend on the overall consumption, indigenous production of crude oil and petroleum products and prices of petroleum products prevailing in the international market from time to time.

(b) The total amount realised by sale of imported crude by Indian Oil Corporation to other oil companies in India during 1994-'95, 1995-96 and 1996-97 (upto December, 1996) is as under:— (Rs. in crores)

1994-95	5308.19
1995-96	6423.80
1996-97 (Upto December, 1996)	6735.19

(c) The information is given in the Statement.

Statement

OIL IMPORTS

('000' Tonnes)

PRODUCTS	PRODUCTION OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS		
	1994-95	1995-96	1996-97* (April-December)
TOTAL PRODUCTION	52927	55081	43937
1. Light Distillates of which	11625	12433	9651
LPG	1432	1539	1174
MOGAS	4129	4462	3487
Naphtha	5662	5975	4626
Others	402	457	364
2. Middle Distillates of which	28695	29941	24125
Kerosene	5261	5267	4670
ATF/RTF/Jet A-1	1968	2127	1588
HSD	19593	20661	16479
LDO	1364	1351	951
Others	509	535	437
3. Heavy Ends of which	12607	12707	10161
Furnace Oil	5728	5351	4574
LSHS/HHS/RFO	4094	4228	3215
Lube Oils	504	633	427
Bitumen	1845	2032	1587
Petroleum Coke	259	256	178
Paraffin Wax	43	43	22
Other Waxes	58	63	38
Others	77	101	120

*Provisional.